

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) ~~An information indicating~~ A method for mediating in a customized form to share information between a transmitter site and a viewer site, employing an information sharing apparatus coupled with an information transferring transmitting apparatus for transferring information and an information viewing apparatus for viewing said information through a network; ~~said information indicating~~ method comprising the steps of:

receiving an access from said information transmitting apparatus or said information viewing apparatus by said information sharing apparatus;

sending a menu information to said transmitting apparatus when said information sharing apparatus accepts said information transmitting apparatus or said information viewing apparatus as a transmitter and when customization has been granted;

storing both an identifier for identifying said transmitting apparatus and customization information for determining an indication form of said information, in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other;

receiving said information and said identifier from said information transmitting apparatus;

storing said received information in storage units corresponding to each said identifier;

receiving from said information viewing apparatus a request for viewing partial information included in said stored information;

searching for customization information corresponding to an identifier of said partial information; and

indicating on said information viewing apparatus said partial information in an indication form determined based on said customization information retrieved as a result of said search.

2. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating method~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein said identifier and said customization information are received from said information transmitting apparatus before said identifier and said customization information are stored in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other.

3. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating method~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein an item name of an item included in said partial information is indicated in such a way that said item name is changed for each said identifier.

4. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating method~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein an item order of an item constituting said partial information is

indicated in such a way that said item order is sorted or changed ~~(changed)~~ for each said identifier.

5. (currently amended) ~~An information-indicating-apparatus for mediating in a customized form to share information between a transmitter site and a viewer site~~ indicating information based on a request, said apparatus comprising:

storing means for storing information that can be indicated, for each record to in predetermined storage units, ~~said information being able to be indicated;~~

memory means for storing each said record to said storage unit in such a way that customization information is associated with each said record storage unit, in which said customization information is defined via said transmitter site as an having its indication manner of said record defined;

accepting means for accepting a request for ~~indicating~~ indication of partial information included in said information; and

indicating means for indicating said partial information in an indication manner defined by said customization information corresponding to storage units constituting associated with said records corresponding to said partial information.

6. (currently amended) ~~The information-indicating-apparatus as claimed in claim 5, wherein said customization information includes an indication form of said partial information.~~

7. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:

receiving means for, from an information transmitting apparatus which transmits said information, receiving said information and an identifier for identifying a manager of said information transmitting apparatus;

wherein said storing means stores said information in said storage units corresponding to each said identifier, and said memory means stores each said identifier in such a way that said customization information is associated with each said identifier.

8. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 7, further comprising:

another receiving means for receiving a request for viewing said identifier and said partial information, from an information viewing apparatus capable of viewing said partial information.

9. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus~~ as claimed in claim 5, wherein said customization information includes a predefined indication item and a customization indication item name defined by a person who needs to indicate said partial information, in such a way that said predefined indication item and said customization indication item name are associated with each other; and said indicating means indicates said partial information expressed by use of said customization indication item name.

10. (currently amended) ~~The information indicating apparatus as claimed in claim 9, further comprising:~~

transmitting means for, to said person who needs to indicate said partial information, transmitting data for prompting for input of said customization indication item name for said indication item; and

receiving means for, ~~from~~ said person who needs to indicate said partial information, receiving said customization indication item name entered for said indication item.

11. (currently amended) A computer readable memory which stores a A program for causing a computer coupled with an information transmitting apparatus for transferring information and an information viewing apparatus for viewing said information through a network, to perform predetermined processing, said predetermined processing comprising said program when executed causes the computer to perform the steps of:

receiving an access from said information transmitting apparatus when said information sharing apparatus accepts as a transmitter and also as customization granted;

storing both an identifier for identifying said transmitting apparatus and customization information for determining an indication form of said information, in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other;

receiving said information and said identifier from said information transmitting apparatus;

storing said received information in storage units corresponding to said identifier;

receiving from said information viewing apparatus a request for viewing partial information included in said stored information;

searching for customization information corresponding to an identifier of said partial information; and

indicating on said information viewing apparatus said partial information in an indication form determined based on said customization information retrieved as a result of said search.

~~— an input step of receiving both an identifier for identifying a provider of information to be stored in a storage apparatus and said information;~~

~~— a holding step of storing said identifier and customization information for specifying an indication form of said information in such a way that said identifier and said customization information are associated with each other;~~

~~— a storing step of storing said information provided by said provider in storage units corresponding to said identifier;~~

~~— a receiving step of receiving a request for viewing partial information included in said information;~~

~~— a searching step of searching for customization information corresponding to an identifier of said partial information; and~~

~~an indicating step of indicating said partial information in an indication manner
corresponding to said customization information.~~

Claims 12-14 (canceled).